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STOCKHOLM--THE FOREIGN MINISTRY TODAY ANNOUNCED THE ARREST OF A SWEDISH AIR FORCE COLONEL WHO HAS CONFESSED TO SPYING FOR RUSSIA SINCE 1958.

POLITICAL SOURCES DESCRIBED IT AS THE WORST SPY CASE IN SWEDISH HISTORY.

A FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE AND GRAZIAI HAD OBLIGED HIM TO TALK TO THE SPYING CHARGES.

HE SAID IN CONNECTION WITH THE CASE THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT HAS DECLARED RUSSIAN DIPLOMATS "PERSONA NON GRATA."

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A FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE COL. STEIG ERIK GUNNAR HANNERSTROM HAD MADE A FULL CONFESSION FOLLOWING HIS ARREST BY SWEDISH SECURITY POLICE JUNE 20.

THE TWO RUSSIAN DIPLOMATS DECLARED "PERSONA NON GRATA" WERE IDENTIFIED AS MILITARY ATTACHE MAJ. GEN. MIKOŁAJI AND FIRST SECRETARY BAJAŃKOWSKI.

IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE SOVIET CHANCE D'AFFAIRES, SWEDISH FOREIGN MINISTER TORSTEN NILSSON ORDERED THE TWO DIPLOMATS TO LEAVE SWEDEN "IMMEDIATELY," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE FOREIGN MINISTER ALSO LAUNCHED A STRONG PROTEST AGAINST THE SPYING AND ORDERED THAT IT BE DISCONTINUED.

"WE ARE TRYING TO ASCERTAIN WHAT DAMAGE HAS BEEN CAUSED TO OUR SECURITY INTERESTS BY THE SPYING," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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